



CICP PROVIDER ELIGIBILITY TRAININGS

The season returns again for CICP Eligibility Trainings. The informational training is meant to assist the providers and their staff who work with the CICP in understanding the eligibility determination process, the client application, changes to the CICP and provides a question and answer session. Please remember space may be limited and refreshments may not be available, so plan accordingly. Each session is approximately three hours, depending on the questions. The first round of trainings outside the Denver Metro Area will occur on the following dates and locations:

June 9, 2006 – Fort Collins – Family Medicine Center – 8:00-11:30am

June 12, 2006 – Colorado Springs – Penrose St. Francis - Noon-3:30pm

June 13, 2006 – Pueblo – Parkview Medical Center – 9:00am-Noon

June 14, 2006 – Alamosa – Valley Wide Health Systems – 9:00am-Noon

June 15, 2006 – Montrose – Montrose Memorial Hospital – 9:00am-Noon

June 16, 2006 – Glenwood Springs – Valley View Hospital – 9:00am-Noon

RSVP BY JUNE 1, 2006, by email to Michelle.Cason@state.co.us or by phone at 303-866-2580 to guarantee a spot.

THANK YOU to the providers offering the use of their conference rooms for these training sessions. We appreciate your generosity and everything you do to make the CICP a successful program.

CICP CLIENT APPLICATION IN SPANISH

The newly updated CICP Spanish Client Application and accompanying worksheets are available under the Provider Manual section of the website. The CICP administration would like to offer a big Thank You to the Salud Family Health Center for creating the translated document. Their generous effort will assist many providers and their Spanish-speaking clients.

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COMPREHENSIVE PRIMARY AND PREVENTATIVE CARE GRANT PROGRAM AND THE PRIMARY CARE FUND UPDATES

The application form for the Comprehensive Primary and Preventive Care (CPPC) Grant Program covering State fiscal year 2006-07 is scheduled for release on Wednesday, April 26, 2006, with the application responses due Friday, June 2, 2006. Learn more about the requirements of the program by visiting the program's website at <http://www.chcpf.state.co.us/HCPF/cppc/cppcindex.asp>. All health care providers that meet the program's qualification criteria are encouraged to identify a specific project needing financial support and apply for funding.

The Primary Care Fund has recently completed its first application process and awarded funding to 25 health care providers. The next application form is planned for release in early July 2006 and will require application responses to be submitted by mid-August 2006. Specific details about this fund can be obtained at the following website http://www.chcpf.state.co.us/HCPF/primary_care_fund.asp. All health care providers that meet the program's qualification criteria are encouraged to apply for an allocation from these funds.

Questions on either of these programs can be directed to Kerri Coffey at 303-866-4131 or at Kerri.Coffey@state.co.us.

ANNUAL CERTIFICATION OF UNCOMPENSATED COSTS

Each year providers are asked to submit documentation of their uncompensated costs for treating CICP and Medicaid Clients. The uncompensated cost figures allow us to allocate State General Funds, and to receive and allocate Federal Matching Funds, which compensate providers for a portion of incurred costs.

This year, the instructions have been updated to help providers calculate their Medicaid Inpatient and Outpatient hospital costs and CICP costs by using the Medicare/Medicaid Cost Report, the CICP Annual Report and providers' internal records. The Department is requesting providers to break-out these costs for three time periods. In the past, the data was meant to coincide with the current state fiscal year; however, we're moving towards using actual instead of estimated figures. For State fiscal year 2005-2006, please provide your cost data in three 6-month blocks: January through June, 2005; July through December, 2005; and January through June 2006. The first two time periods will report actual costs. The January through June 2006 time period should be an estimate of costs.

Requests for Certification Letters were mailed on March 23, 2006. Please calculate your cost data in the three, six-month blocks and return them to Eugene Advincula by April 28, 2006 as final payments must be processed for disbursement by June 2, 2006.

SAFETY NET FINANCING STAFF CHANGES

The Safety Net Financing Section would like welcome Greg Tanner as our new Safety Net Financing Section Manager. Greg started with the State of Colorado in June 1992, at the Division of Wildlife. Greg worked in the Financial Services Section and his primary duties involved accounting for the Division's Big Game Drawing licenses and refunds. Before Greg left the Division of Wildlife, he oversaw the staff within the cashier unit of the Financial Services Section and worked with State Treasury to develop a Visa and MasterCard program for the Division of Wildlife. In February 2000, Greg moved to the Office of the State Auditor as a Legislative Auditor where he performed financial and performance audits for 12 of the State's 19 Departments.

In February 2002, he accepted a position with the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing as the Tobacco Settlement Accountant. While in this position, he was the lead accountant for the Department's tobacco settlement funded programs, like CHP+ and the CPPC Grant Program. In addition, he was the lead accounting liaison between HCPF and the Department of Human Services for the Medicaid funded activity between Departments. In March of 2004, he became the Medicaid Accountant for the Department and finally in February of 2006 accepted the Safety Net Financing Manager position. Please welcome Greg as he gets acclimated to the Safety Net Financing Section.